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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Yih CHANG et al. Confirmation No:6961  
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Title : SILVER ALLOY USED IN AN ORGANIC  
ELECTROLUMINESCENT PANEL

TC/A.U. : 2879  
Examiner : Kevin J. Quarterman

Docket No.: : CHAN3224/REF  
Customer No: : 23364

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of April 19, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application. This response is timely filed.

In the Official Action dated April 19, 2006, the previous indication that claims 1-26 of the instant application are allowable was withdrawn in view of newly discovered references to Chang et al. (US Pub. App. No. 2004/0057864), Sotoyama et al. (US Pat. No. 6,805,977) and Sakemura et al. (US Pat. No. 6,404,124). The outstanding Official Action now urges that claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by the Chang reference, and the remaining claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over various combinations of the Chang, Sotoyama and Sakemura references.

In setting forth these rejections, the Official Action recognizes that the Chang reference has common inventors and a common assignee with the instant application. The Official Action further notes that the Chang reference can therefore be disqualified as a reference under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) by a showing under 37 CFR 1.132 that the subject matter disclosed but not claimed in the reference was conceived by the inventors of the instant application.

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Accordingly, Applicants submit concurrently with this Request for Reconsideration a signed Declaration according to the requirements established in 37 CFR 1.132 setting forth that the subject matter disclosed but not claimed in the reference and which is relied upon in support of the rejection of claims 1-26 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and §103(a) was conceived by inventors CHANG and HUANG of the instant application. More specifically, the §1.132 Declaration states that the subject matter disclosed in paragraphs [0002], [0010] and [0014] of the reference was conceived by inventors CHANG and HUANG, and not by co-inventors CHAO or CHEN.


As inventors CHANG and HUANG are also inventors of the instant application, it is respectfully submitted that the subject matter disclosed in the reference and relied upon in support of the rejections set forth in the Official Action is not the invention "of another", and therefore the Chang reference is disqualified as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(e).

In light of this submission and subsequent disqualification of the Chang reference as prior art under §102(e), Applicants respectfully submit that the §102(e) rejection over Chang and the §103(a) rejection over Sotoyama, Chang and/or Sakemura as set forth in the outstanding Official Action have been overcome and should be withdrawn.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims now present in the application are most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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